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Applicant: Masao Fukuda, et al.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the first Office Action in the above-referenced application which is being submitted simultaneously herewith as a divisional of application Serial No. 09/372,009 filed August 11, 1999, now pending, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please amend Figs. 8 and 10 as shown in red on the accompanying photocopy, the changes comprising adding descriptive words --air pressure source--, --regulator--, --air cylinder-- and --CHUTE--. Formal drawings incorporating the changes as approved will be submitted after a notice of allowance is received.